THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) (a) No, Sir. However, the research infrastructure created under the All India Coordinated Research Project on Sugar beet will continue with need-based strengthening and re-orientation.

(b) Does not arise.

Increase in Criminal Activities in Namrup Township

3. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that criminal activities have increased in the Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited township at Namrup;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the steps so far taken by Government to protect the life and property of the H.F.C.L. township, Namrup?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH) : (a) to (c) The Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Ltd., has reported that of late there have been a few incidents of violence in its township at Namrup, including the throwing of a bomb at the house of one of its employees by some miscreants. The matter was taken up with the Government of Assam who have assured to investigate the case. Further, in pursuance of the instructions by the State Government to maintain strict vigil against occurance of any untoward incident, the District administration have taken steps regarding the security of the employees.

Modernisation of Kansabato Project

4. SHRI NEPALDEV BHATTACHARJEE : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the West Bengal Government has recently submitted to the Central Government any plan for modernisation of Kansabato project; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) The West Bengal Government has submitted the project report on Kansabati Modernisation with an estimatsd cost of Rs. 311.38 crores. The project provides for:

(1) Construction of four small dams on rivers in the command area of the project for augmentation of surface water resources.

(2) Conjunctive use of ground water by providing 3400 tubewells in the command.

(3) Reducing the seepage losses by lining of the existing canal system upto water courses; and

(4) Construction of water courses and field channels upto 5 to 8 hectares blocks.

The Modernisation scheme will stabilise the existing irrigation potential of 2.58 lakh hectares besides creating new potential of 1.09 lakh hectares.

Land allotted to Cooperative Group Housing Societies in Delhi

5. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state: